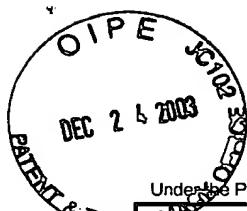


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		<i>Art Unit</i>	2828
		<i>Examiner Name</i>	J. Menefee
		<i>Attorney Docket No.</i>	LANGHANS (65821-P001US-10312434)

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1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

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3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Final Office Action dated July 2, 2003, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

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